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Cameroon Essay

Cameroon is a west African country (Fetzer 198). It has a very diverse terrain which helps with agriculture and exports(Joyce 316). It is a great country because people respect living there, because economy continues to get stronger, and because they have a controlled government.

To begin, Cameroonians love living here for their freedom of religion. This consists of 50% Christians, 25% Muslim, 20% African Religions and 5% atheists or unknown religions (“CIA Cameroon”).This is good because some other countries do not allow your own religion. This enables people to follow their ancestors beliefs. Also, there are many different languages, French and English are the most popular, some of the less popular languages are Beti, Tiv, Fang and Fulani(Joyce 316).The major languages spoken make it easy to trade and communicate with the outside world. The less used languages give people the opportunity to learn a language that can be passed down to the next generation. Another trait of the Cameroonians is that the, regular family size is about ten kids with two parents(Culturegrams 3). Having that many kids is a good thing because everyone helps out and constantly works. The mother usually stays home and watches the kids while the men farm or work. Living in Cameroon offers a very diverse way to live.

Secondly, the Cameroonians are well educated, when they are six to fourteen years old they have to go to compulsory schools, which are mostly public but some are private(U.S Department 359). This will allow the children to learn about their country and what is expected of them to be successful. It also enables them to socialize and be with their friends. The health care system is good, there is minimum healthcare for infants and small children but most of the time the older they get the better the health care(Joyce 317). Some countries do not have health care, so it is good that this country does. There are some diseases so having a health care system is necessary and well needed. There are two main occupations that make up a large percentage of jobs, fishing and farming(Lonely 285). Other jobs come from the oil and mining industries(Lonely 285). All these jobs have been passed from generation to generation which keeps families and their history together. People in Cameroon have a lot of career choices, so if they are bad at fishing or farming you can mine. Cameroon offers stable ways to raise a family and to be successful.

Next, the economy in Cameroon is doing fairly well considering how so many other economies today are struggling. Trade plays a big role in the economy. Some of the major exports from Cameroon are timber, coffee, and tea because they are grown in the country (U.S Department 372). Some of the not-so-major exports are cocoa and cotton as they are not in such demand. Due to the country’s terrain it enables them to have a lot of exports. Cameroon’s imports are vehicles, and rubber, as they are needed for transportation and making certain products (Lonely 286).Grains and aluminum are smaller imports but play a large role in society. The reason why they need these imports is because they can not produce them themselves. The natural resources important for the economy are oil, natural gas, and hydroelectric power(Fetzer 199). These natural resources are very important for the economy because other countries do not have them. They also help power the cities of Cameroon. All of the imports and exports are very important to Cameroon’s trade.

Furthermore, the economy is very important in other ways, one way is agriculture, it plays a big role in the economy. Some products of agriculture are Coco Beans, Bananas, and Pineapples. These are in high demand not only in Cameroon but in other countries in Africa. The agriculture is important for supplying jobs for men in harvesting and shipping. In addition, manufacturing is important to the economy. There are a lot of oils and they are the primary manufacturing exports, palm oil, cooking oil, sunflower oil, and lubricants (culturegrams 3). This show the country has the materials needed for making oils. They make money off the manufactured goods while trading. Next, the industries of Cameroon are vital to the economy, some of the main industries are lumber mills, saw mills, and fishing ports (U.S Department 372). Most of the products of these industries come from the land itself. These jobs have been around for a long time. All these factories from agriculture to industry play a great role in the economy.

Finally, the government is very strong and controlled. First off, Cameroon became a country in 1960, back then it was based on the French’s civil war style of governing (Lonely 271). This meant that the people will be treated fairly but not equally. By not being treated equally they would be taxed and fined more than other people. Along with that, the government now is much like the U.S’s, they have 3 branches of government(CIA Cameroon). Their branches of government have the same ideas as the U.S.A’s. People from the U.S can know what it would be like to live there. The people of Cameroon like the government because it gives each ethnic group its own power.

Lastly, Cameroon’s government has had their successes and failures (Joyce 318). The successes of it, being the people are treated equally and have good police and fire units. The people of Cameroon are treated equally to one another, no one is treated better than someone else. The fire and police units are important for everyday problems, like house fires and robberies. They are funded and supported by the government. In addition, it has had failures too, the forests are getting cut down and the animals are in need of help(CIA Cameroon). They need to cut down the forest for building homes, but the people are not happy with this decision. The animals living in the forest are running out of habitat to live in and this makes the people of Cameroon even angrier at the government. It is obvious that the successes of the government outweigh the failures because it is a peaceful country, the people work together, and families continue to stay in Cameroon.

In conclusion, Cameroon is a great country. It offers an amazing life style and the people are treated equally and fairly. They also have plenty of occupations and many different career choices. Cameroon is an amazing place because the people respect the government and the country, because the economy continues to climb, and because the country is controlled by a fair government.